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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Manabu Kii, et al.  
Serial No. : 10/027,194  
Filed : December 20, 2001  
For : SERVICE OFFERING SYSTEM, MANAGEMENT SERVER,  
SERVICE PROVIDER, TERMINAL DEVICE, STORAGE MEDIUM  
ISSUING APPARATUS, SERVER OFFERING METHOD, AND  
STORAGE MEDIUM  
Examiner : Kindred, Alford W.  
Art Unit : 2163

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.  
 The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
 This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

## Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	14	Minus	** = 31	* 0 x	\$18 (9)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	5	Minus	*** = 13	* 0 x	\$84 (42)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

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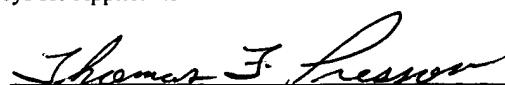
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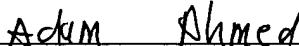
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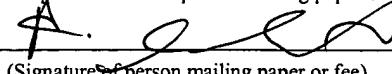
  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on February 23, 2005, having a  
three-month statutory period for response set to expire on May 23, 2005, the Examiner is  
respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.